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BACCALAUREATE AND COMMENCEMENT

Carlsbad Schools to Close for the 1914-15 Year With Appropriate Exercises--Nine Graduates to Receive Diplomas. Much Interest by Friends of the School--Rev. F. W. Pratt to Deliver Baccalaureate Address Next Sunday at 11 A. M.

BACCALAUREATE SERVICES.

Next Sunday, May 9, will occur at High School Auditorium the Baccalaureate services at 11 A. M., when the following program will be rendered:

Voluntary, Miss Jim Penny.
Hymn, "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow."
Invocation, by the Rev. J. T. Redmon.

Duet, "Rejoice in the Lord," Schaecker, by Mrs. R. M. Fessenden and Mr. F. E. Butler.

Reading of Proverbs 9: 1-12, by the Rev. G. E. Beatty.

Gloria Patria, Meineke.
Scripture, by the Rev. F. W. Pratt.
Anthem, "I Waited for the Lord," (Elijah) Mendelssohn, by the Women's Chorus.

Prayer, by the Rev. G. E. Beatty.
Hymn, "Coronation".

Sermon, by the Rev. F. W. Pratt.
Solo, "God Shall Wipe Away All Tears," Sullivan, by Mrs. V. L. Coffman.

Offeratory, Miss Jim Penny.

High School Hymn, Tune, Rathbun.

Benediction, by the Rev. J. T. Redmon.

Voluntary, Miss Jim Penny.

HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT.

Next Friday evening, May 14, will occur at the High School Auditorium the graduating, or commencement exercises of the High School. The program is outlined as follows:

Music, Bunch orchestra.

Invocation, by the Rev. H. W. Lowry.

Solo, Miss Lella Christian.

Address, Dr. E. L. Enloe, president of New Mexico Normal School.

Quartette, "Friendship," J. A. Parks by Carlsbad Male Quartette: Rev. F. W. Pratt, H. E. Hightower, Ted Butler and Geo. Roberts.

Presentation of diplomas, Walter Craft, president of Board.

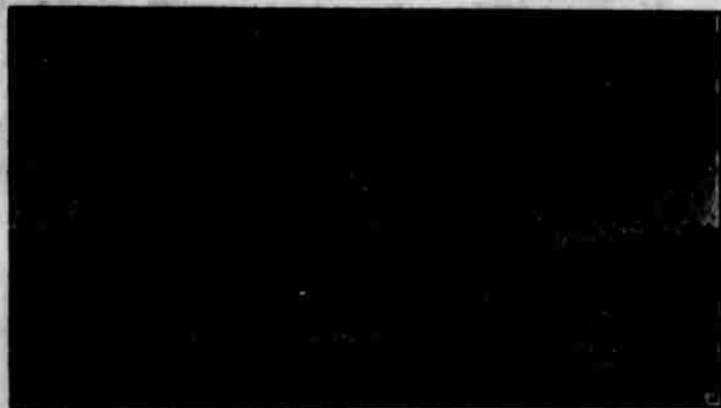
Benediction, Rev. H. W. Lowry.

Music, Bunch Orchestra.

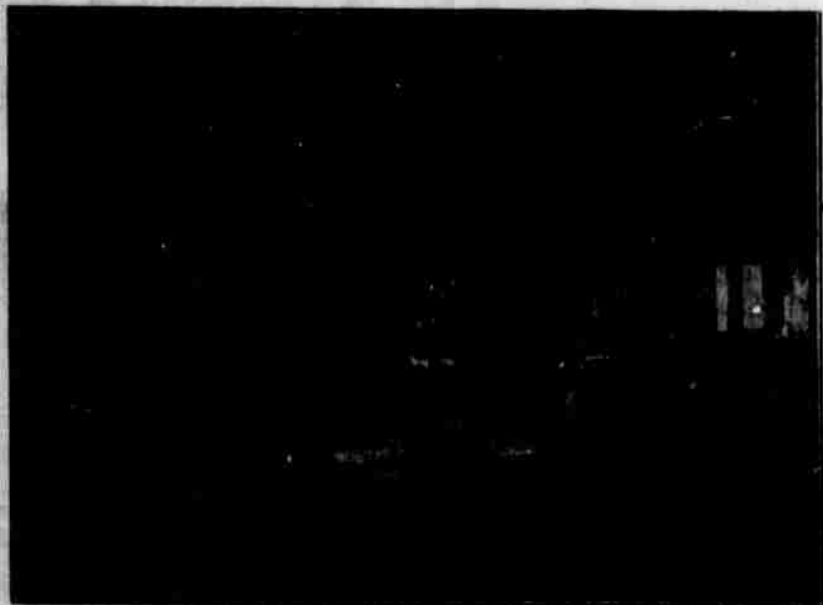
Nothing would please the Current better than to give a more extended mention of the schools and their personnel, but time and space forbids in this issue, but it is to be hoped the will may be taken for the deed and the effort to awaken interest may bear fruit.



NELLIE E. WILSON, A. B.
Superintendent of Schools.
Latin.



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N. CUNNINGHAM DEAD

One of Carlsbad's Most Honored Citizens Sudden Death



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dent Clonian 3. Literary
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letic Association. Captain of Foot
Ball '15. Manager Base Ball
'15. Athletic Editor
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ELEANOR FANNING.
Clonian. Basket Ball. Assistant
Athletic Editor, Echo '15.

Last Friday evening between five and six the word went around Carlsbad that Judge Cunningham had suddenly passed away. Upon hearing the sad news the Current reporter went at once to the residence and learned the following from Mrs. Cunningham: "Thursday morning at about five o'clock Mr. Cunningham awakened me and said he was not feeling well. He arose and said he felt dizzy and seemed a long time 'reeling.' I suggested that the physician be summoned and for the first time I can remember he made no objection to a visit from a physician. Dr. Pate came and prescribed for him and stated in his opinion that Mr. Cunningham had experienced a slight stroke of paralysis. During Thursday he did not seem very ill but was unable to read but wanted to go down town in the evening for his mail as was his custom, but I persuaded him to let Mr. Beels bring the mail. Thursday night his sleep was restless and Friday morning he seemed but little better though he had taken the medicine and he was able to dress and walk around but not able to leave the house. Mrs. Beels brought some fresh buttermilk in the morning and he drank it and some more in the afternoon. About three, or later, he complained about being unable to read and I read to him while he laid on the couch. I noticed he appeared to doze off to sleep but seemed uneasy. I noticed his sleep was not natural and Mr. Beels came in and we noticed he was dying, though as if going to sleep. He laid one hand on his chest and moved one foot, drawing it up, but passed away about a quarter past five."

Dozens of friends came as soon as it was learned that Mr. Cunningham had passed away and his son, Joe, was wired at Salt Lake, Utah, at six and an answer received at 8:15 that he would be here by Monday and he arrived promptly on the afternoon train. Dr. J. M. Cunningham, of Las Vegas, was wired and came in Sunday. Another brother, W. O. Cunningham, of Kingfisher, Oklahoma, was also wired but could not come.

The remains were embalmed and held by Undertaker Thorne until Tuesday morning when the funeral occurred at ten thirty.

Rev. Houston W. Lowry of the Presbyterian church conducted the funeral ceremonies at the residence and besides the usual funeral ritual of the church preached a very able funeral sermon.

The funeral was attended by a large number of people with many autos and other vehicles. The remains were consigned to the grave by the Rev. Mr. Lowry with the usual ceremonies. The floral tributes were exceptionally profuse and elegant. The pall bearers from among the old time friends of the deceased were: Messrs. A. N. Pratt, W. R. Owen, J. W. Armstrong, Wm. H. Mullane, J. J. Beals, and E. P. Hansen.

Biographical.
Nathaniel Cunningham was born in Midlin county, Pennsylvania, April 26, 1840, being seventy-five years and four days of age. He emigrated with his parents to Illinois in 1856 at the age of sixteen and settled in Carroll county, where he resided until 1869 when he left home and went to Grundy county, Iowa, where he purchased several hundred acres of land and resided until coming to New Mexico in December, 1892. In 1879 he was married to Miss Edith Minter who died the day Joe was six years old in 1887, and from which union two children were born, Joseph M. and Nathaniel, two years younger who died here in 1904. He was wedded to her who survives him, the Mrs. Cunningham, whom all of the people of Carlsbad have respected and loved for more than twenty years, Julia Kelsey, in 1889.

He is also survived by his son, Joe, whom all in Eddy county know well and favorably, having served as county surveyor one term and of late has been employed in life insurance. Dr. J. M. Cunningham, president of the San Miguel National Bank of Las Vegas, is his brother and an old resident of New Mexico, coming here in 1873, while W. O. Cunningham, of Kingfisher, Oklahoma, is also another brother.

Mr. Cunningham was elected county commissioner from this district in the fall of 1896 and served with honor and distinction for four years. He served on the board of education for years with his old friend M. P. Kerr and was elected mayor but resigned after a month or two. Then he was elected justice of the peace of this precinct and served for several years resigning a few years ago.

Christian & Co., INSURANCE.
Mrs. C. H. Lamb and children are visiting her brother, Willard Bates, and family, this week.
Superintendent F. J. Evans is here today and will go to Pecos tomorrow.
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